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98. (new) The method of claims 68, 70, 72, 74 or 84 wherein the stoichiometry of the delivered first or second components is varied between respective regions.


99. (new) The method of claims 68, 70, 72, 74 or 84 wherein the thickness of the delivered first or second components is varied between respective regions.

REMARKS

In this Supplemental Amendment G, claims 96-99 have been added to define preferred embodiments of Applicants' invention. No new matter has been added. Hence, claims 8, 10, 11, 15-24, 26, 30-35, 42, 43, 45-49, 51-56, 58-60, 64-72, 74-99 are now pending in the above-referenced patent application. Of these, claims 58, 59 and 79 are drawn to non-elected species, and have not been considered on the merits.

Applicants respectfully request further consideration of these claims, in view of the above amendments and the following remarks, together with those amendments and remarks set forth in the previously-filed Amendment F.

Correction

In the previously-submitted Amendment F, Applicants incorrectly identified the U.S. Department of Energy as the sponsor of collaborative research for materials such as thermoelectric materials and magnetic materials. In fact, such research was done at Symyx for the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) – not for the Department of Energy.

Declaration Evidence

Applicants expect to file a further supplemental amendment to submit declaration evidence in support of Applicants' position as set forth in the earlier-filed Amendment F.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is hereby authorized to charge the necessary and proper fees required in connection with the new claims added in this Supplemental Amendment G, or to charge any other necessary and proper fees in connection with this application, or to credit any refund in connection therewith, to Deposit Account No. 50-0496.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX A

MARKED UP VERSION INDICATING AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION AND
CLAIMS, AND INDICATING NEW OR CANCELLED CLAIMS

IN THE CLAIMS

*** New claims 96-99 have been added.